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For: PLANAR WAVEGUIDE WITH PATTERNED
CLADDING AND METHOD FOR
PRODUCING SAME

Examiner: D. Dupuis

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated June 30, 2005 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20050624), for which a response was due on September 30, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and a fee for a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for a response to October 30, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 4 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 16 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.